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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork for **the week ending Sunday, June 5, 2011**. Mississippi received scatter showers on Sunday, but there has still not been enough rain. We received unseasonably high temperatures last week, and where a lack of moisture is prevalent, producers with irrigation systems are watering their crops as needed. Overall, crops are handling the heat fair to well so far, but conditions have declined for hay and pastures. Soil moisture was rated 36 percent very short, 29 percent short, 34 adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending June 5, 2011

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, emerged	100	100	100	100
Corn, silked	35	4	31	34
Cotton, planted	98	95	97	96
Cotton, emerged	92	82	93	91
Cotton, squaring	8	1	10	9
Hay-Cool Season, harvested	93	83	91	94
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	20	17	13	16
Peanuts, planted	98	91	82	92
Rice, planted	100	99	100	99
Rice, emerged	99	94	98	96
Sorghum, planted	88	81	98	96
Sorghum, emerged	80	68	94	91
Soybeans, planted	93	89	97	96
Soybeans, emerged	87	80	88	90
Soybeans, blooming	5	--	0	16
Sweet Potatoes, planted	55	30	16	34
Watermelons, planted	100	98	100	100
Winter Wheat, mature	97	87	88	93
Winter Wheat, harvested	66	36	28	41

Crop condition for week ending June 5, 2011

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Blueberries	0	0	37	55	8
Corn	9	10	29	33	19
Cotton	0	11	33	49	7
Hay	12	47	18	21	2
Livestock	4	13	50	28	5
Pasture	12	39	27	21	1
Peanuts	0	0	38	60	2
Rice	0	3	16	61	20
Sorghum	0	2	19	72	7
Soybeans	2	6	20	63	9
Watermelons	0	0	75	23	2
Winter Wheat	1	5	16	45	33

Comments

“There was some cotton replanted last week. Wheat harvest is about finished and overall the yields were very good. Growers are watering all that they can.”

— Don Respass, Coahoma

“Soil moisture is dropping fast due to wind, temperature and tillage. The insect pressures are normal and post-emerge weed control is going strong.”

— Bill Burdine, Chickasaw

“We continue to have a portion of county under water from MS River flooding. The majority of county has received no rainfall from scattered afternoon thunderstorms.”

— Ann H. Davis, Wilkinson

“This drought is severe. Corn is tasseling and silking during this dry and hot weather. The silk emergence is not coinciding with tassel and will lower pollination. We have not received any rain since mid-April. Soybeans are suffering from the drought, especially if they were planted in late April to early May. Most GP V soybeans are not planted and growers are waiting for rain to finish planting. But with no rain in the forecast this is shaping up to be a bad season.”

— Carolyn Conger, Covington

“It is very dry and hot. We’ve had almost a week of record breaking high temperatures. Grass in pastures is dead and tough. Cotton and peanuts are up and growing but desperately need some rain.”

— Lee Taylor, Forrest

“Wheat harvest started this week. The heat has really dried things out in a hurry. Crops are responding well and we could use a general rain to keep crops going forward.”

— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

“Some corn is beginning to roll up from lack of rain. Hay harvest is in full swing.”

— Stephen R. Winters, Grenada

“Lack of rain is causing extreme dry conditions for row crops.”

— Shelli Benton, Tate

“Planting is continuing at a feverish pace due to the dry weather. This weather has also afforded producers the opportunity to harvest hay.”

— Patrick Poindexter, Alcorn

“It’s been very dry. We have inadequate rainfall for the month of May with record-breaking high temperatures for the last 10-14 days. Crops are hanging on better than I would have thought, but will go down fast without a much-needed rain and some normal temperatures.”

— Preston Aust, Humphreys

“Hot and dry. Wheat yields are good to excellent. Everyone that has irrigation systems are pumping water as if it was mid July.”

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“Part of county received rain on Sunday. We still need a county wide soaking rain. The non-irrigated crops are showing stress while the irrigated crops are looking good so far.”

— Lester Stephens, Washington

“We are at a critical stage for corn that is now in silk and tassel stage. We have not had significant rain for about six weeks.”

— Ernest Flint, Attala

“Soil is very dry and we could use a good rain.”

— Juli Hughes, Choctaw

“Continued dry weather and high heat conditions threaten all of our crops, hay land and pastures.”

— Betsy K. Padgett, Holmes

“We are approaching the critical stage on heat and drought. Many livestock producers are feeding hay and have been for several weeks. Our grass has stopped growing completely.”

— Houston Therrell, Rankin

“Rain is desperately needed.”

— Scott Cagle, Chickasaw

“It has been extremely hot and dry the past week with wheat harvest in full swing, but other crops need a good rain.”

— Reid Nevins, Clay

“It is very dry. Cattle producers are feeding hay, and the crops need a rain desperately.”

— Shelby Bearden, Copiah

“The drought is severe. Corn is tasseling during the heat and will pose a problem for pollination. The silk and tassel emergence is not coinciding well which will pose a problem for pollination success. Corn is short with 11 nodes, but internode distance is short due to the cold weather early and drought along with a dry south wind. Soybeans greatly need some rain, especially if they were planted in the last of April through early May. Most people are waiting for rain to finish planting soybeans.”

— Randy Smith, Covington

“It’s been very hot. Having no rain is hurting everything.”

— Amanda Walker, Lawrence

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending June 5, 2011

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Clarksdale	98	68	82	76	6	0.00	-1.19	0	1.21
Cleveland	99	67	83	77	6	0.00	-1.19	0	2.54
Lambert 1W	100	68	83			0.00	-1.31	0	1.21
Tunica 2N	95	71	83	75	8	0.00	-1.31	0	1.34
Extreme/Average	100	67	83	76	7	0.00	-1.19	0	1.65
North-Central									
Calhoun City	95	66	81	74	7	0.00	-1.12	0	2.64
Hickory Flat	96	65	80	72	8	0.00	-1.17	0	2.48
Holly Springs	97	64	80	72	8	0.00	-1.19	0	2.04
Independence	95	67	81	73	8	0.00	-1.19	0	2.16
Oxford	97	68	82	73	9	0.00	-1.19	0	2.68
Extreme/Average	97	64	81	74	7	0.00	-1.19	0	2.40
Northeast									
Booneville	94	66	80	73	7	0.00	-1.22	0	2.78
Corinth 7SW	97	67	81	75	6	0.00	-1.10	0	2.51
Iuka	96	71	84	70	14	0.00	-1.12	0	0.90
Pontotoc Exp	94	65	81	74	7	0.00	-1.19	0	3.80
Verona	98	68	83	74	9	0.00	-1.12	0	2.35
Extreme/Average	98	65	82	74	8	0.00	-1.19	0	2.47
Lower Delta									
Belzoni	96	71	84	76	8	0.00	-1.08	0	0.41
Greenville	97	71	83	77	6	0.00	-1.12	0	0.91
Moorhead	97	71	84	77	7	0.00	-1.05	0	1.59
Yazoo City	100	70	85	77	8	0.00	-1.06	0	0.25
Extreme/Average	100	70	84	77	7	0.00	-1.10	0	0.79
Central									
Canton 4N	99	67	82	76	6	0.00	-0.97	0	0.10
Eupora 2E	97	66	81	74	7	0.00	-1.04	0	1.00
Forest 3S	97	63	80	75	5	0.00	-0.98	0	0.72
Kosciusko	99	67	84	75	9	0.00	-0.93	0	0.00
Winona 5E	95	66	80	71	9	0.00	-1.04	0	2.29
Extreme/Average	99	63	81	75	6	0.00	-0.99	0	1.00
East-Central									
Aberdeen	97	67	82	74	8	0.00	-1.10	0	0.79
Columbus	104	66	84	75	9	0.00	-1.02	0	1.55
Louisville	96	66	83	74	9	0.00	-0.94	0	1.94
Macon	97	66	82	75	7	0.00	-0.98	0	1.09
State University	100	71	84	75	9	0.00	-0.98	0	1.43
Extreme/Average	104	66	83	75	8	0.00	-1.05	0	1.36
Southwest									
Brookhaven City	101	66	83	76	7	0.00	-1.03	0	0.11
Crystal Springs	100	66	83	77	6	0.00	-1.21	0	0.14
Natchez	96	67	81	77	4	0.18	-1.00	1	0.48
Vicksburg City	95	72	84			0.00		0	1.01
Extreme/Average	101	66	83	76	7	0.05	-1.07	0	0.44
South-Central									
Collins	99	62	82	75	7	0.00	-1.06	0	0.50
Columbia	104	68	85	77	8	0.00	-1.18	0	0.50
Monticello	106	67	86	76	10	0.00	-1.17	0	0.08
Raleigh 6N	97	62	80			0.00		0	0.04
Extreme/Average	106	62	83	76	7	0.00	-1.13	0	0.28
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	101	67	84	77	7	0.00	-1.03	0	1.14
Laurel	99	65	83	76	7	0.02	-0.95	1	0.31
Newton Exp	100	63	82	75	7	0.00	-0.84	0	0.24
Waynesboro 2W	98	65	83	75	8	0.00	-1.05	0	1.05
Extreme/Average	101	63	83	76	7	0.01	-0.93	0	0.69
State	106	62	82	75	7	0.01	-1.07	0	1.15

Departure from Normal.